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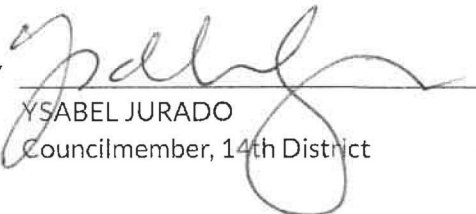
The City of Los Angeles has long operated under a governance structure that concentrates significant appointment and removal authority in the hands of the Mayor, while leaving the City Council with limited ability to act when a General Manager fails to effectively serve the public or uphold the responsibilities of their office.

The Los Angeles City Charter already recognizes the importance of shared accountability in certain critical positions. Los Angeles Charter Code Section 575(e) gives the City Council the authority to remove the Chief of Police from office by a two-thirds vote. It is appropriate to extend that same standard of accountability to the leadership of all City departments.

Granting the City Council the authority to remove a General Manager by a two-thirds vote would establish a meaningful check on executive power while preserving the Mayor's core managerial authority. This reform would promote shared accountability, strengthen public oversight, and help restore trust in City government.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the City Attorney to prepare and present the documents necessary to place a measure on the November 2026 ballot that would amend the Charter to allow the Council to remove a General Manager or Department Head by a two-thirds vote from their position with a City Department, Office or Board.

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